AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) CBI has registered some cases for investigation against bank officials.

(b) and (c) Information is being collected and, to the extent available, will be laid on the Table of the House.

(d) and (e) CBI has reportedly registered two cases for investigation of allegations against a former senior official of the Union Bank of India and others.

(f) The concerned official of the Union Bank of India was on Earned Leave for a period of 60 days with effect from 21.12.1988 and has also demitted office at the close of business on 20.2.1989.

**Complaints from MPs against State Bank of Indore**

171. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the State Bank of Indore does not respond to the communications from Members of Parliament;

(b) if so, what are the reasons there for; and

(c) what is the number of such com munications received by the Head Office during August, 1985 to January, 1989 yearwise and the average time taken in sending replies and the number out of them still remaining to be replied?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALERIO): (a) and (b) State Bank of Indore has informed that communications received from Members of Parliament are replied to expeditionsty.

(c) The yearwise break-up of communications received by State Bank of Indore from Members of Parliament is as follows:

| Year | Number of communications | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Received | Responded | pepding |
| 1985 (from August) | 6 | 6 | — |
| 1986 | 8 | 8 | — |
| 1987 | l(. | 16 | — |
| 1988 | 33 | 33 | — |
| 1989 (up to January) | 1 | — | 1 |

The bank has reported that normally such communications are replied to by the bank within a week. However, letters from MPs are generally acknowledged within a couple of days and necessary data from branches is collected or investigation is completed, before sending a final reply.

**Appointment of Non-official Directors in Banks**

172. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several nationalised banks are without any non-official Directors;

(b) if so, what arc the names of those banks which are without non-official Directors; and

(c) by when the appointments of non-official Directors are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (c) At present, there are no non-official Directors on the Boards of any of the 20 nationalised banks. The process of identification of suitable persons to fill up these vacancies is expected to be completed soon.